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R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Downtown Dallas, Inc. is celebrating its 65th  
2 anniversary in 2023, and this occasion provides a fitting  
3 opportunity to reflect on the organization's pivotal role in  
4 shaping the city's urban landscape; and

5           WHEREAS, Founded in 1958, DDI seeks to foster a vibrant and  
6 sustainable environment in downtown Dallas by focusing on  
7 infrastructure, public safety, beautification, cultural  
8 inclusivity, and economic development; this nonprofit organization  
9 also works to market the city and position Dallas as a global  
10 destination; DDI is funded by membership dues, contracts with the  
11 City of Dallas, and the Dallas Downtown Improvement District; and

12           WHEREAS, Under the leadership of current president and CEO  
13 Jennifer Scripps, DDI has played an important role in revitalizing  
14 the city's downtown area; in 2022, the organization contributed to  
15 numerous development projects, including Carpenter Park, One  
16 Newpark, and the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas, as  
17 well as to initiatives addressing housing affordability and  
18 homelessness such as The Galbraith residential development and  
19 R.E.A.L. Time Rehousing; and

20           WHEREAS, DDI has received many awards from the International  
21 Downtown Association, including the Merit Award and recognition in  
22 the community development, business and economic development, and  
23 marketing categories; and

24           WHEREAS, Downtown Dallas, Inc. is dedicated to building an

1 even brighter future for the city in the decades to come, and the  
2 members of this outstanding organization are deserving of  
3 recognition for all that it has achieved over the past six and a  
4 half decades; now, therefore, be it

5         RESOLVED, That the Senate of the 88th Texas Legislature, 3rd  
6 Called Session, hereby commemorate the 65th anniversary of Downtown  
7 Dallas, Inc. and extend to all those associated with the  
8 organization sincere best wishes for continued success; and, be it  
9 further

10         RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
11 prepared for Downtown Dallas, Inc. as an expression of high regard  
12 by the Texas Senate.